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Our Mission

To provide fire, life safety, and support services that are relationship focused and results oriented.

Our Motto

"Service to All; Second to None"



CONGRATULATIONS

FF3 Jerry Mote Officially Joins the D-Shift



CONGRATULATIONS to Firefighter 3 Jerry Mote on his retirement effective August 23, 2016.

Jerry joined the department on February 17, 1999 and has been a loyal and dedicated member ever since.

During his tenure, Jerry worked in both north and south Fulton County and earned certifications as a Paramedic, ACLS and BLS instructor and Driver/Operator. Jerry also held a number of technical rescue certifications and was a long-time member of the GSAR team.

Jerry was honored by his co-workers with a retirement breakfast at Station 2 on his last shift which included some good-natured story-telling, gift-giving, and one final heartfelt thank you for a *job well done*.



Eric Anderson Promoted to FF3

CONGRATULATIONS to Eric Anderson on his promotion to Firefighter 3 effective August 10, 2016.

Eric is an eight year member of the department currently assigned to Fire Station #5 in the Pine Ridge community.

Among his numerous fire service certifications, Eric is an EMT, Driver/Operator, and is certified at the HazMat Operations level.

Our congratulations again to Eric on this professional accomplishment.



Message From the Fire Chief



Fire Chief Larry Few, MIFire, CFO of the Fulton County Fire Rescue Department, Atlanta, Georgia decides to run for 2nd Vice-President of the IAFC

Fire Chief Larry Few of the Fulton County Fire Rescue Department has decided to run for 2nd Vice-President of the International Association of Fire Chiefs (IAFC) in 2017.

Chief Few is the Past President of the Metropolitan Association of Fire Chiefs (year 2014-2015). Asked what he would like to concentrate on during his 2nd Vice-President run, Few stated: 1. I will support the efforts of the Executive Board of the IAFC. 2. I will provide support and assistance where and when needed to the 1st Vice-President and President of the IAFC. 3. I will work to reduce firefighter injuries and deaths. 4. I will remain a strong advocate of firefighter health and safety. 5. I will provide support and assistance to firefighters that develop cancer as a result of employment as a firefighter.

Chief Few has been a firefighter for over 35 years and has served as Fire Chief of the Fulton County Fire Rescue Department for 10 years. He has been a member of the IAFC, SEAC and NFPA for 10 years and hopes to one day serve in the capacity of President of the IAFC. Chief Few has an Associate's Degree in Fire Science and a B.S. Degree in Management from Shorter University.

Chief Few's hobbies are fishing, gardening and traveling. Chief Few is married to Mazie Few (retired Recruitment Manager—DeKalb County Government) and has two sons, Nic Few, an actor, and Bryan Few, a firefighter with Henry County Fire Rescue Department.

Chief Few states, "I am looking forward to running and serving as 2nd Vice-President of the IAFC and need your support and vote during the 2017 elections." Should you hear the following slogan, "**Many are Called, Few is Chosen**," it is Chief Few's call for support in his effort to become 2nd Vice-President of the IAFC with a desire to be of service to all firefighters.



INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIRE CHIEFS



IAFC Conference - San Antonio, Texas

During August 17-20, Chief Few attended IAFC's annual conference and expo in San Antonio, Texas.

Each August, prominent fire and emergency service leaders come together for five days of learning, networking and collaboration at Fire-Rescue International. FRI education covers all areas of the emergency service; navigating the political environment, managing change, ethi-

cal leadership, EMS issues, career development, and much more. Hundreds of exhibitors showcase the newest fire service innovations in apparatus, technology, equipment and gear.

While at the IAFC Conference, Chief Few took the opportunity to campaign for the office of 2nd Vice-President and had some familiar faces visit his booth.

Pictured right with Chief Few is Keith Padgett, retired Fulton County Chief-Fire Marshal and recently appointed Fire Chief of Beulah Fire Department in Valley, Alabama.



Also dropping by were former FCFRD Deputy Chief Niles Ford (current Baltimore, MD Fire Chief), former FCFRD Captain Craig Dowdell (currently with Atlanta FD) and former FCFRD Fire Chief I. David Daniels (current Deputy Chief of the City of Richmond, VA Fire Department)

FCFRD Dedicates Engines to Pioneer Members

August 9, 2016 was a special day indeed as we dedicated our new Spartan engines in honor of three pioneer members of the department; Chief-Fire Marshal Ralph W. Emerson, Chief James I. Gibson, and Chief Ronald T. Strong.

The ceremony began with the presentation of colors by the FCFRD Honor Guard and opening remarks by Chief Few and Commissioner Emma Darnell. Firefighter 3 Ralph W. Emerson III (grand-son of Chief Emerson), Penny Wolfe, and Deputy Chief Wesley Stubbs spoke in remembrance of Chief Emerson, Chief Gibson and Chief Strong, respectively, highlighting their ca-

reers and contributions to the department and citizens.

In a moving tribute, Fire Department Chaplain Warren Henry blessed and said a prayer as fire department members, family members and invited guests laid their hands on Engine 1, Engine 7 and Engine 13.

It was a heart-warming day. One could only imagine that Chief Emerson, Chief Gibson and Chief Strong were looking down upon us, proud to see their families, and appreciative that the department continues to honor, remember and preserve their legacies as a part of our rich history.



In Honor and Remembrance



RALPH W. EMERSON
ENGINE 1
(WELCOME ALL ROAD)

Appointed as Chief-Fire Marshal of the Fulton County Fire Department on April 1, 1968 (at the time, the highest ranking position in the department)

Term: 1968 - 1977



JAMES I. GIBSON
ENGINE 7
(BUFFINGTON ROAD)

Appointed as the first Fire Chief of the Fulton County Fire Department on June 1, 1977. Organized and placed in service the newly created department at midnight on January 1, 1978.

Term: 1977 - 1991



RONALD T. STRONG
ENGINE 13
(PLUMMER ROAD)

Appointed as the second Fire Chief of the Fulton County Fire Department on September 9, 1992.

Term: 1992 - 2000

Fire Engine Dedication Ceremony



FCFRD Recruit Class 16-01 Helps Save a Life

"this was not training; this was real"

On July 26, 2016, FCFRD recruit class 16-01 had the unique opportunity to assist in a lifesaving effort for a member of our public safety family. This is the exact type of incident that these recruits are training to respond to when they graduate. However, they did not expect to deploy their newly learned skills in a life or death situation while still in school.

On the morning of July 26, Fulton County Sheriff's Department Detention Officer Ronald Nash was participating in an in-service physical training run. Officer Nash collapsed suddenly. Battalion Chief Markus Jones, who also works as a FCSO instructor, witnessed Officer Nash collapse and went to his aid. Officer Nash was brought into the entry hall of the training center and Battalion Chief Jones assessed that he was in full cardiac arrest.

BC Jones sent for assistance and our recruits, who were in class, responded to help. Several recruits from class 16-01 and Lt. Charles Cook from FCPD assisted in CPR efforts for Officer Nash. FCFRD Engine 3 (Captain Jerry Nears, FF Jared Johnson and FF Janos Venson) and Rural Metro also responded. After several cycles of effective CPR and three shocks from the AED, Officer Nash began breathing again. Rescue efforts continued during transport to the hospital.

After Officer Nash was transported and the recruits returned to class, they were obviously shaken and unnerved by what had just happened. I told them, "you just put your new skills to the test in a real life and death situation. This was not training; this was real and you responded outstandingly." The recruits were extremely proud that they could help in such an important situation. However, we were all still very concerned about the condition of Officer Nash.

When we received word from BC Jones that Officer Nash had been fully revived and was up and communicating with the medical staff, it was a great joy and relief for us all. And when Officer Nash and his wife walked into our classroom recently to express his gratitude for our efforts, the joy was overwhelming. To help save a life is, indeed, our highest calling. We wish good health and a full recovery to Officer Nash; hopefully he will be able to return to duty soon.

I am certain that this is a first for a FCFRD recruit class. Their efforts to help save a life while still in recruit school is a testament to the commitment, dedication, and professionalism that these recruits are developing early in their careers.

Congratulations recruits and keep up the great work!

***Captain Stanley Hudgins,
Training Coordinator***



Sheriff's Department Detention Officer Ronald Nash and his wife came by the FCPSTC to thank the ones that saved his life. Recruit Class 16-01, Battalion Chief Markus Jones and Captain Stanley Hudgins

About Cardiac Arrest



Cardiac arrest - an electrical malfunction in the heart that causes an irregular heartbeat (arrhythmia) and disrupts the flow of blood to the brain, lungs and other organs - is a leading cause of death. Each year, more than 350,000 out-of-hospital cardiac arrests occur in the United States.

When a person has a cardiac arrest, survival depends on immediately getting CPR from someone nearby. Almost 90 percent of people who suffer out-of-hospital cardiac arrests die. CPR, especially if performed in the first few minutes of cardiac arrest, can double or triple a person's chance of survival.

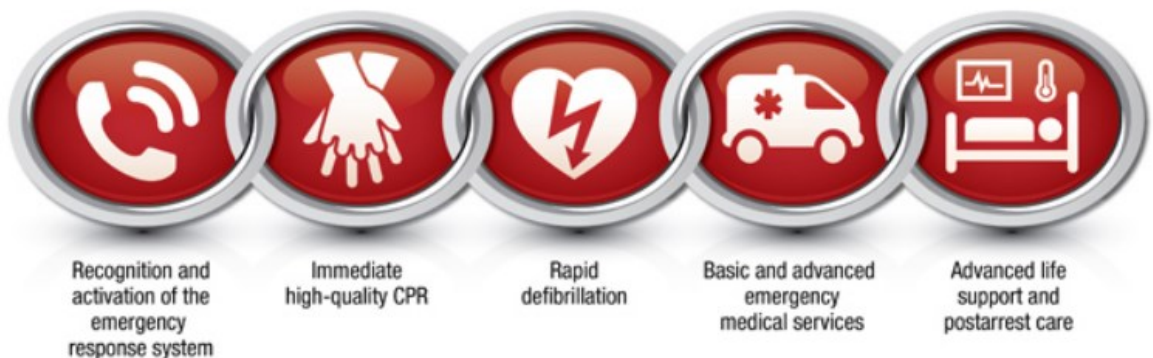
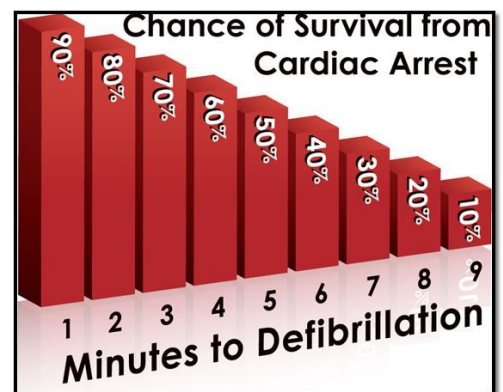
Over 15 years ago, the American Heart Association (AHA) introduced the concept of the chain of survival in cardiac arrests. There are five time-sensitive links that must occur rapidly for the victim to have a chance at survival:

The 5 links in the adult out-of-hospital chain of survival are:

- Immediate **recognition** of cardiac arrest and **activation** of the emergency response system (Dial 911)
- Early **cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR)** with an emphasis on chest compressions
- Rapid **defibrillation**
- Effective advanced life support
- Integrated post-cardiac arrest care

Research has shown that the first three links are directly related to patient survival.

For more information about cardiac arrest and CPR training, visit the American Heart Association website at www.heart.org.



For Your Information

TRAINING and MEMBER DEVELOPMENT

Recruit Class 16-01 Update

The recruits of Class 16-01 are in the home stretch and working hard to finish strong. Over the past few weeks they have been training in extrication, ladders, ventilation, forcible entry, fire behavior, building construction, hose, fire streams, pressurized container (LP), and they are now starting live fire burn week. NPQ and GFSTC testing is just around the corner. And then it's on to HAZMAT week.

A big **thank you** to all of our members who have helped out with our training sessions. We truly appreciate the efforts that each of you make to give our new firefighters a great start. The 17 recruits are scheduled to graduate on September 27th and be in the fire stations, officially on shift, by October 4th.

Here are some photos from their most recent training:

Ventilation



Extrication



Hose and Fire Streams

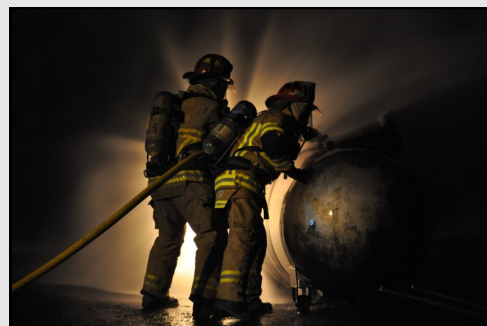


Recruit Class 16-01 Update

Pressurized Container Fire Control

The Live Fire Pressurized Container training was held during the evening of August 25th. This training involves the students approaching a large liquid propane tank that is on fire. In groups of four to five, they must approach the tank with hose lines, protecting one another while one firefighter reaches in and shuts off the fuel valve which will put the fire out. The training is held in the evening (at dark) so that the students can better see fire

behavior. Reading fire and understanding fire dynamics and development is another important aspect of their recruit training. Live Pressurized Container training is conducted just prior to Interior Live Fire training to give the students the experience of encountering live fire before they actually go into a burning structure. Eight to ten instructors were on hand to provide guidance and for safety intervention if necessary. The students will receive a state certificate for Pressurized Container Fire Control.





COO Visits Battalion 3

Chief Operating Officer Station Visits This stop - Station 13 and Maintenance/Logistics

With a desire to visit all Fulton County Fire Rescue Department stations and shifts, Fulton County Chief Operating Officer Todd Long recently visited Fire Station 13 on Plummer Road, and the Maintenance and Logistics facilities which are adjacent to Station 13.

On this particular visit, he became acquainted with the c-shift, including Battalion Chief Tim Marcus, Captain Andrea Hall, FF3 Eric Ware, and FF2 Jeremiah Harmon as well as Fleet Manager Bobby Gant and Heavy Equipment Mechanic Eric Lee.

As is customary, they enjoyed a delicious 'firehouse' breakfast and then spent the morning getting acquainted. The COO is interested in hearing how department members began their firefighting careers and what brought them to Fulton County. Likewise, he answered questions that they had about specific matters involving the department and about the possibilities involving cityhood.

More visits will follow.



FCFRD Participates in 2016 National Night Out



On August 2nd, the Fulton County Fire Rescue Department joined with the Police Department and other public safety agencies in support of National Night Out. The annual event was held at the 112 MegaPlex located at 5495 Old

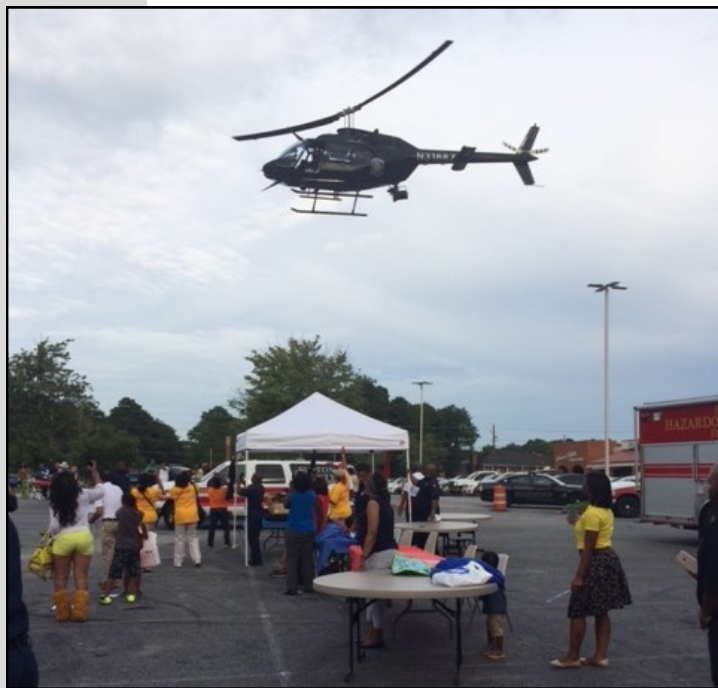
National Highway.

The introduction of National Night Out in 1984 began an effort to promote involvement in crime prevention activities, police-community partnerships, and neighborhood camaraderie. Participation was expanded to include fire and emergency services to educate citizens about

fire safety and what they can do to protect their homes and families.

Fulton County public safety agencies work closely together to heighten crime awareness and support for crime and drug prevention. These collaborative efforts send strong messages to criminals that neighborhoods are working together and fighting back against crime.

The National Night Out campaign includes various neighborhood events and activities including block parties, cookouts, safety demonstrations, and visits from emergency personnel, all in an effort to increase awareness and enhance community relations.



Representing the Fire Rescue Department were Chief Few, Deputy Chief Wesley Stubbs, Battalion 1 (Battalion Chief Eric Willis), Battalion 3 (Battalion Chief Tim Marcus) and the crews of Engine and Truck 7. CRR staff was also on hand conducting safety demonstrations using the Fire Safety House .



FCFRD Attends Southwest Community Music Festival



On July 30th and 31st, the crews of Station 2 attended the annual Southwest Community Music Festival held in the Ben Hill community. Though there were rainy days, it did not stop local vendors from setting up their exhibition booths and the citizens from enjoying the music, food and family focused entertainment.

As they stood by in case of any medical emergencies, Captain Packer, FF Wood and FF Bradley provided fire and home safety literature to the estimated 300 citizens and visitors in attendance.

The crews also enjoyed visiting the booths and trying out the exercise equipment that tested their level of conditioning and strength.

**ANNUAL SOUTHWEST COMMUNITY MUSIC FESTIVAL
JULY 30TH & 31ST, 2016**



Station 15 Hosts Local Homeowners Association Meeting

On August 15th, Station 15 hosted a homeowners association meeting for residents of the Hobgood Road community.

Since the opening of the new fire station on Cedar Grove Road in December (2015), several homeowners associations in the Fairburn and Palmetto communities have found the station to be a comfortable and convenient location to hold their meetings. Our citizens are always welcomed to visit the stations for meetings, blood pressure checks, or any other needs whereby we may be of assistance.



False Alarm!!! On August 21st, the crew of Engine 15A (Dessez and Sullen) were dispatched to a residential fire alarm. Upon their arrival, the homeowner advised that there wasn't an emergency at their home. After asking a few simple questions, it was determined that the homeowner's one year old daughter accidentally activated the fire alarm. The innocent little perpetrator was fascinated by the large red engine and lights, so the crew took a few extra minutes to give her and her dad a closer look.



This little cutie may be a little young right now to talk to about fire safety, but she certainly stole the hearts of the crew!

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Work Based Learning Program

Congratulations to 2016 Westlake High School graduate Chloe Davis. Chloe participated in the Work Based Learning Program as a ride-along on Engine 3 as part of the pre-hospital learning course during her senior year of high school. Chloe will be attending Xavier University studying hard to achieve her goal of practicing medicine in the future.



Chloe stopped in recently to express her gratitude to all three shifts at Station 3 for their guidance and mentoring during the program.

Chloe is pictured with mentors (L-R) FF Sammy McClarity, Captain Andrea Hall, FF David Roseboro, and Captain James Luster.

GREAT JOB

Paramedic School Graduates

CONGRATULATIONS to FF2 Jeffery Potter and FF2 Lisa Cook on obtaining their certifications as paramedics.

Jeff and Lisa trained and worked diligently over the past year learning advanced lifesaving and leadership skills in the Atlanta Fire Rescue Academy Paramedic Class. The graduation ceremony was held August 24th in the Atlanta City Hall Atrium.



On hand to congratulate the graduates were Deputy Chief Wesley Stubbs and Battalion Chief Tim Rohner.



It has been a big year for Jeff and Lisa. Jeff, a three year member of the department was promoted to Firefighter 2 in June. Lisa, also a three year member was promoted to Firefighter 2 in July.

Our congratulations again to Jeff and Lisa on your 2016 career accomplishments.

FCFRD Legacy Albums are Here

At long last, the Fulton County Fire Rescue legacy albums have arrived. The 132 page, leatherette covered album features member portraits, the department's history, highlights of our activities, candid shots, a retiree section, a 1978-present roster, and more.

It isn't too late to order your album. Simply contact:

Peachtree Portraits customer service @ 770-934-2277 or via email at :

customercareflm@peachtreeporraits.com

Reference Department Code: 14FCFD

The price of the albums is \$59.

(If you would like a preview, an electronic copy is temporarily available on the z:/firelan2000/files shared by all users/LEGACY ALBUM)



Captain Tim West (above) and FF3 Freddie Bentley receiving their FCFRD Legacy albums from Battalion Chief Preston Clark



FULLY INVOLVED

As is customary, we include a section in our monthly newsletter that will be focused on a training topic. The training may be fire, administrative, inspections/investigations related or anything else that we feel will keep you **"fully involved"** with departmental processes, policies and procedures. Additionally, we invite any of our members to submit training articles that you feel will be beneficial to others.

FEMA Tank Car Specialist Class

During the week of July 11th-15th, I attended a FEMA funded Tank Car Specialist class in Pueblo, CO. The class familiarized first responders with fundamentals and skills associated with rail transportation incidents with HazMat and WMD.

The first couple of days consisted of classroom lectures. Basic knowledge of rail cars that included types of rail cars, nomenclature, materials commonly transported, etc., served as a refresher and new information to others. We also discussed several methods of removal of materials (which we would have to demonstrate later on in the week with little to no oversight from the instructors).

The next three days were all hands-on practical exercises. This consisted of three different stations: C-Kit on upright and inverted chlorine cars, plugging/patching a liquid leak, and sealing a manway. We were given a train derailment scenario in which we had to perform an initial damage assessment and identify each tank car to determine what material was inside and if there was any damage to the car. After an assessment, we developed an incident action plan for the given scenario. The fourth day we practiced liquid transfers, gas transfers, and gas/liquid flaring operations. Each event provided great learning experiences and was very hands-on.

On the last day of class the instructors gave us a 31 car derailment scenario and access to hazmat response kits. This practical exercise put our skills and knowledge to the test. As a group, we utilized the Incident Command System and assigned an Incident Commander (IC), the IC delegated the objectives as needed. We used two reconnaissance teams and two teams to handle the spill/leaks, with one team for back up. Depending on the situation, the IC had to determine what level of protection we would use to mitigate the multiple leaks we encountered; ultimately he chose level B protection. The entire scenario took about four hours, from beginning to end. During the post incident analysis the instructors were very pleased with our response and the techniques we used to mitigate the incident.

All in all the class was a great experience and I definitely recommend taking the time to attend. Everything is paid for by FEMA including flight, rental car, and hotel. Per Diem is also issued after you attend the class. If you are interested in attending, visit <http://sertc.org/courses/tcs/> for the schedule and general overview of the class.

Having specialized knowledge and skills is a must in the fire service these days, especially with the different type of areas our department covers from Fulton Industrial Blvd to Old National Highway.



FF2 Adam Long is a three year member currently assigned to Fire Station 7 on Buffington Road.



Retiree Update



Padgett Appointed as Fire Chief

CONGRATULATIONS to retired Fulton County Chief-Fire Marshal Keith Padgett.

On August 1st, Keith was named as the new Beulah Fire District Chief; the Beulah Fire Department is located in Valley, Alabama.

Keith joined the Fulton County Fire Department in 1982; he retired in 2011 after 28 years of service. Since his retirement, Keith has served as the Fire and Emergency Medical Services Academic Program Director with Columbia Southern University. Keith has completed the Executive Fire Officer Program through the National Fire Academy; he holds a Masters of Science Degree in Leadership

with an Emphasis in Disaster Preparedness and Executive Fire Leadership, and he holds the Chief Fire Officer designation.

Keith joins a long list of Fulton County Fire Rescue alumni to be appointed as Fire Chief in other departments locally and across the nation.

Well done Chief!

YOUR FULTON COUNTY BENEFITS

Responsibility | Choice | Wellness



BIOMETRICS SCREENINGS CAMPAIGN

CALL YOUR DOCTOR TODAY TO SCHEDULE YOUR ANNUAL PHYSICAL

All active Fulton County employees enrolled in County health benefits plans, please don't miss your opportunity to receive your wellness credits for 2017! To receive your \$240 annual wellness credit you must have an annual exam with your primary care physician or attend a biometric screening. Screening events have been scheduled at various locations throughout the county to assist employees who are unable to get an appointment with their physician for their annual exam by November. [ACT NOW and schedule an appointment with your doctor for an annual exam.](#) Appointments need to be scheduled between **now and November** to allow ample time for collection and reporting of data to the health insurance carriers.

9-11 Memorial Stair Climb - Join Team Fleming!

I will be participating in the 9-11 Memorial Stair Climb Event on September 30th (this is a c-shift). I am looking for members who would like to join my team and participate in this event with me. I have already established a team as Fulton County Fire Rescue Department – Team Fleming.

This year's 9-11 Memorial Stair Climb is hosted by First Service Residential and The Manhattan Condominium. The event will take place at The Manhattan Condominium, 4561 Olde Perimeter Way, Atlanta, GA 30346. The cost is \$30.00 and this includes a t-shirt.

Onsite Registration: 8:00 AM

Climb Start Time: 8:46 AM

Climb End Time: 12:00 PM

See more at: http://events.firehero.org/site/TR?fr_id=1662&pg=entry#sthash.jSqmLG6t.dpuf

*The 2016 Georgia 9-11 Memorial Stair Climb is a way to honor and remember the FDNY firefighters, police, and EMS who selflessly gave their lives so that others might live on 9-11-2001. Each participant pays tribute to an FDNY firefighter, police officer, or EMS by climbing the equivalent of the 110 stories of the World Trade Center. Your individual tribute not only remembers the sacrifice of an FDNY brother, but symbolically completes their heroic journey to save others. Through firefighter and community participation we can ensure that each of the 343 firefighters, 60 police officers, and 10 EMS providers are honored and that the world knows that **we will never forget**.*

The Stair Climb benefits the FDNY CSU and the programs provided by the NFFF to support the families of our nation's fallen firefighters.

Here's how to sign up:

Step 1 - Join a team

2016 Georgia 9/11 Memorial Stair Climbs

events.firehero.org/site/TR?fr_id=1662&pg=entry

Username Password LOGIN

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NFFF HOME

Climb to Remember the Fallen

REGISTER NOW

REGISTER as an individual

FORM A TEAM become a team captain

JOIN A TEAM to begin fundraising

DONATE and make a difference

September 10, 2016

The Manhattan Condominium

**4561 Olde Perimeter Way
Atlanta, GA 30346**


Onsite Registration: 8:00 AM

Climb Start Time: 8:46 AM

Climb End Time: 12:00 PM

9-11 Memorial Stair Climb - Join Team Fleming!

Step 2 - Join as a new participant

**STAIR CLIMBS**

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RETURNING PARTICIPANT OR USER LOGIN

New User

[JOIN AS A NEW PARTICIPANT](#)

Returning User

* User Name:

* Password:


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* Indicates Required

Step 3- or Join a Team—TEAM FLEMING

2016 GEORGIA 9/11 MEMORIAL STAIR CLIMB HOSTED BY FIRSTSERVICE RESIDENTIAL AND THE MANHATTAN CONDOMINIUM

**TEAM FLEMING**

[DONATE NOW](#)

[JOIN TEAM](#)

Step 4- Join the team, as an individual participant, or as a donor. Either way, please support this great cause.

For more information contact:

Captain James Fleming, Station 11C
404-612- 8556






or via email at:
james.fleming@fultoncountyga.gov

We will never forget 9/11



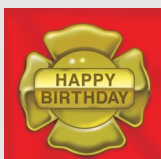


September 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4	5 	6	7 BOC Meeting 1000 hrs. FGTV	8	9	10
	12	13 Eric Patterson*	14	15 Terrance Gordon*	16	17
18	19	20 Jason Pierce*	21 BOC Meeting 1000 hrs. FGTV Timothy Brown*	22  First Day of Autumn William Sullen*	23	24
25 Tim Rohner*	26 Eric Anderson* LaTonya Teasley*	27 	28	29	30 Steve Morton*	

Fall begins in the northern hemisphere when the sun is perpendicular to the equator. This day has equal hours of day and night. The first day of fall is also called the Autumnal Equinox. In many areas it coincides with harvests. The first day of fall occurs each year between September 22nd and 24th.

The earth takes 365.25 days to make one complete revolution around the sun. This results in the first day of fall beginning 6 hours later each year, and moving a full day backwards on leap years.



* Indicates Happy Birthday Wishes!

Fulton County Fire Rescue Department

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Atlanta, Georgia 30336

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EMERGENCY: Dial 911



The Fulton County Fire Rescue Department was placed into service on January 1, 1978.

The department is comprised of 10 fire stations, strategically located throughout unincorporated Fulton County, and 171 full-time members.

*Proudly Serving the Citizens of Fulton County
for
Thirty-Eight Years*

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Words of Wisdom - Lessons Learned...

*I've learned that...*the things some take for granted, others are praying for.

*I've learned that...*the expert in anything was once a beginner.

*I've learned that...*if you don't sacrifice for what you want, what you want becomes the sacrifice.

*I've learned that...*if you can't simply explain it, you don't know it well enough.

*I've learned that...*life's greatest lessons are usually learned at the worst times and from the worst mistakes.

*I've learned that...*if you are persistent, you will get it. If you are consistent, you will keep it.

*I've learned that...*you should never wrestle with a pig. You both get dirty and the pig likes it.

*I've learned that...*you never realize how strong you are until being strong is the only choice you have.

*I've learned that...*whatever you decide to do, you should be sure that it makes you happy.

*I've learned that...*you should always think good thoughts, say nice things and do good for others. Everything come back.

*I've learned that...*you should be kind to people for no reason.

*I've learned that...*you should let it hurt, let it bleed, let it heal and let it go.

*I've learned that...*one of the best lessons you can learn in life is to master how to remain calm.

Stay safe!

